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September 11, 2008

ATTN: Karen Lee  
State of South Carolina  
Department of Health and Environmental Control  
Bureau of Air Quality  
2600 Bull Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201  
VIA: leeka@dhec.sc.gov and U.S. Mail

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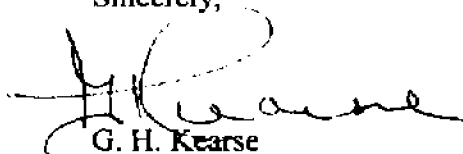
RE: Grant Allendale, Inc.  
Public Notice #08-075-PS

Dear Mrs. Lee:

I am enclosing our request for a public hearing. The men who signed are neighbors of Grant Allendale, Inc. These men told me that the fumes from Grant Allendale, Inc. plant cause their eyes to burn. My primary objection to their operation is the noise it makes. I had planned to build a home on the home place; however, I am giving it a second thought because of the noise from the Grant Allendale, Inc. plant. The reason I would like the hearing in the Allendale County Court House is so that the citizens of the county may attend.

If there are any questions please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,



G. H. Kearse

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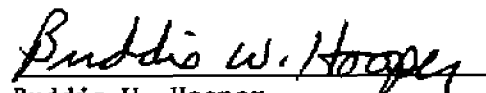
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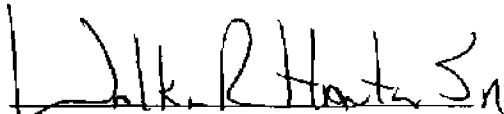
Pursuant to the public notice referenced above titled "NOTICE OF A DRAFT PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION (PSD) AIR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT" published in the Allendale Sun issue of August 14, 2008, we are requesting a public hearing in the Allendale County Courthouse in Allendale, South Carolina for the purpose of reviewing the intention of Grant Allendale, Inc. referencing air pollution, etc.

The adjoining land owners and/or land owners who live near the Grant Allendale plant find the noise and pollution objectionable.

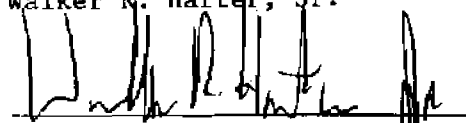
Yours Truly,


  
G.H. Kearse

  
Buddie W. Hooper

  
Walker R. Harter, Sr.

  
Herman C. Edwards

  
Walker R. Harter, Jr.

  
G. Francis Hills

  
Carlton Bowers

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

State of South Carolina (SC)  
Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)  
Bureau of Air Quality (BAQ)  
2600 Bull Street  
Columbia, SC 29201  
(803) 898-4123

Public Notice #08-075-PSD

Date: August 14, 2008

### **NOTICE OF A DRAFT PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION (PSD) AIR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT**

**GRANT ALLENDALE, INC.  
US HIGHWAY 321  
FAIRFAX, SOUTH CAROLINA  
(ALLENDALE COUNTY / REGION 5 AIKEN EQC OFFICE)  
ATR PERMIT NO. 0160-0020-CB**

Grant Allendale Inc. has applied to the SC DHEC for PSD air construction permit to remove synthetic minor limits previously established by construction permit 0160-0020-CA and increase production. A preliminary determination, draft permit, and Statement of Basis have been written by the BAQ outlining the facility's proposal and applicable regulations. In addition to other state and federal air quality regulations, the draft permit is subject to review under SC DHEC Regulation 61-62.5, Standard No. 7 "Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD)." This regulation is equivalent to Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 52.21 "Prevention of Significant Deterioration of Air Quality." Under these regulations, a facility must demonstrate that it will not significantly deteriorate the air quality in its region prior to constructing or modifying sources of air pollutants. The draft permit has not yet been approved and is open to comment from the public, affected states, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Federal Land Manager, the chief executives of Allendale County and the City of Fairfax, and the Lower Savannah Regional Council of Governments.

Grant Allendale Inc. operates an oriented strandboard (OSB) production facility. The facility is proposing to remove the synthetic minor limits previously established for Particulate Matter (PM)/PM less than 10 Microns in Diameter (PM10), Sulfur Dioxide (SO2), Nitrogen Oxides (NOx), Carbon Monoxide (CO), and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) on the existing facility and increase facility production from 147 thousand square feet/hour (MSF/hr) to 175MSF/hr. Emissions generated by this facility include PM/PM10, SO2, NOx, CO, VOCs, and Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs). Facility-wide PM/PM10, SO2, NOx, CO, and VOCs emissions will exceed significant emission increases for PSD as a result of this proposed project. The maximum degrees of Class II PSD increment consumption resulting from the proposed project are predicted to be: SO2, 3-hour increment: 10.1%, SO2, 24-hour increment: 9%; SO2, annual increment: 9%; PM10, 24-hour increment: 54.7%; PM10 annual increment: 53.2%; and Nitrogen Dioxide, annual increment: 12.7%.

Interested persons may review the materials drafted and maintained by DHEC for this facility and submit written comments on the draft permits by September 12, 2008, to Anna Mooney at the above DHEC address. All comments received by September 12, 2008, will be considered when making a decision to approve, disapprove, or modify the draft permit. Where there is a significant amount of public interest, DHEC may hold a public hearing to receive additional comments. Public hearing requests should be made in writing to Karen Lee at the above DHEC address or by e-mail at: [leea@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:leea@dhec.sc.gov). If a public hearing is requested and scheduled, notice will be given in this newspaper thirty (30) days in advance. A final review request (appeal) may be filed after a permit decision has been made. Information regarding final review procedures is available from DHEC's legal office at the above address or by calling (803) 898-3350. Information relative to the draft permit will be made available for review through September 12, 2008, at the DHEC Columbia Office listed above and at the following location:

SC DHEC, Region 5 Aiken EQC Office, 206 Beaufort Street Northeast, Aiken, SC 29801 at (803) 641-7670.

The BAQ maintains a county-based mailing list for persons interested in receiving notification of BAQ public notice actions. If you would like to be added to this list, please submit a request with your name, address, and counties of interest to Karen Lee at the above DHEC address or e-mail. Information on permit decisions and hearing procedures is available by contacting DHEC at either address listed above. Copies of a draft permit or other related documents may be requested in writing at a \$.25 per page charge. Please bring this notice to the attention of persons you know will be interested in this matter.

This public notice may be viewed through September 12, 2008, on DHEC's website at:  
<http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/baq/eqpnbaq.aspx>.



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November 11, 2008

Ms. Karen Lee  
State of South Carolina  
Department of Health and Environmental Control  
Bureau of Air Quality  
2600 Bull Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Grant Allendale, Inc., US Hwy 321, Fairfax, SC  
Allendale County/Region 2 Aiken EQC Office Air Permit No. 0160-0020-CB

Dear Ms. Lee:

The Town of Fairfax strongly supports the above reference. In reference to the Notice of Public Hearing regarding a Draft Air Construction Permit, the Town of Fairfax request that DHEC approve the requested PSD air construction permit that Grant Allendale, Inc has applied for that would remove synthetic minor limits previously established by Construction Permit No. 0160-0020-CA and increase production.

Should you have any questions, or require any additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Moses L. Cohen, Jr.  
Mayor

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CC: File

TOWN OF ULMER  
P. O. Box 128  
148 Ulmer Road  
Ulmer, SC 29849  
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Ms. Karen Lee  
State of South Carolina  
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Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Grant Allendale, Inc.  
US Highway #321  
Fairfax, South Carolina  
(Allendale County/Region 5 Aiken EQC Office)  
Air Permit No. 0160-0020-CB

Dear Ms. Lee:

With regards to the above referenced and referring to the Notice of Public Hearing Regarding a Draft Air Construction Permit dated, October 9, 2008, the Town of Ulmer supports and hereby request that DHEC approve the requested "PSD Air Construction Permit" that Grant Allendale, Inc. has made application to DHEC to remove synthetic minor limits previously established by Construction Permit No. 0160-0020-CA and increase production.

Sincerely,

TOWN OF ULMER

  
Adam Troy Brant, Mayor

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H. Carl Gooding  
Councilman



William E. Robinson  
Chairman

James L. Pinkney, Sr.  
Councilman

Theresa H. Taylor  
Vice Chairwoman

**COUNTY OF ALLENDALE**

J. W. Wall, Jr.  
Councilman

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Air Permit NO. 0160-0020-CB

Dear Ms. Lee:

In regards to the above referenced and referring to the Notice of Public Hearing Regarding a Draft Air Construction Permit dated October 9, 2008, the Allendale County Council supports and hereby requests that DHEC approve the requested PSD air construction permit that Grant Allendale, Inc., has made application to DHEC to remove synthetic minor limits previously established by Construction Permit NO. 0160-0020-CA and increase production.

**THE ALLENDALE COUNTY COUNCIL**

William Robinson, Chairman

Theresa H. Taylor, Vice Chairman

H. Carl Gooding, Council Member

  
James L. Pinkney, Council Member  
J.W. Wall, Jr., Council Member

WRITTEN COMMENTS - PUBLIC HEARING - November 13,

Grant Allendale, Inc.

Draft Air Permit No. 0160-0020-CB

S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control

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FANDY W. BROWN

ALLENDALE IGA.

MAILING ADDRESS (include P.O. Box or street, city, zip code):

PHONE: 803-584-3303

5357 A-F Hwy.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED

ALLENDALE, S.C 29810

BY: November 20, 2008

COMMENTS:

I ATTENDED THIS MEETING TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR GRANT ALLENDALE LP. I BELIEVE THIS COMPANY SHOULD RECEIVE THIS PERMIT SO THEY CAN CONTINUE TO GROW. GRANT IS NEEDED IN ALLENDALE FOR JOBS AS WELL AS TO RELIEVE THE TAX BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES SUCH AS MIND. GRANT HAS BUILT ONE OF THE BEST FACILITIES HERE IN ALLENDALE AND I BELIEVE ONE OF THE MOST SAFES PLANTS OF ITS KIND. ALL OF ALLENDALE COUNTY SHOULD BE PROUD TO HAVE THIS FACILITY.

Signature:

F. W. Brown



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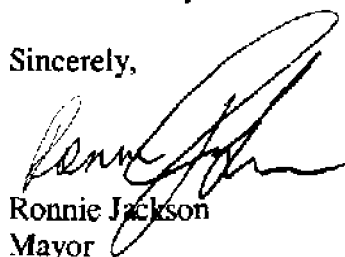
To whom it may concern:

As Mayor and on behalf of the Council of the Town of Allendale, I would like to express support for the Grant Forest Products plant located in Allendale County.

Grant Forest Products, with its over \$200 million dollar investment and creation of over 120 well-paying jobs, has stimulated Allendale County's once stagnant economy. They have also extended a magnitude of support to our community which has been greatly appreciated. We consider it an honor to have a leading industry such as Grant located in our county.

The Town of Allendale will continue to support Grant Forest Products in their on going efforts and any future endeavors they may have.

Sincerely,



Ronnie Jackson  
Mayor